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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Finbar NAVEN, et al.

Serial No. 10/000,036

Group Art Unit: 2631

Confirmation No. 9313

Filed: December 4, 2001

Examiner: KUMAR, PANKAJ

For: PROCESSING HIGH-SPEED DIGITAL SIGNALS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) and is in response to the Office Action mailed August 18, 2005, and having a period for response set to expire on November 18, 2005. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to February 21, 2006, since February 18, 2006 was a Saturday and February 20, 2006 was a Federal Holiday.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.